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SUBJECT: U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO RELIEF OF MUSLIM REFUGEES FROM BURMA

1. AS WE ARE REPORTING SEPARATELY, IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST FROM THE BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT, THE UNSYG HAS DESIGNATED UNHCR AS RESPONSIBLE FOR RELIEF TO MUSLIM REFUGEES FROM BURMA AND UNDP DIRECTOR ZAGORIN (WHO ALSO REPRESENTS UNHCR IN DACCA) IS EN ROUTE TO GENEVA TO CONSULT WITH UNHCR. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS IS THE CORRECT UMBRELLA UNDER WHICH RELIEF OPERATIONS SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT AND THE BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT OBVIOUSLY AGREES.

2. VARIOUS GOVERNMENTS ARE NOW BEGINNING TO CONTRIBUTE RELIEF. THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT HAS JOINED WITH PRIVATE AGENCIES IN PROVIDING A PLANELOAD OF SUPPLIES AND THE CFKADIAN GOVERNMENT HAS MADE A CONTRIBUTION THROUGH THE CANADIAN AND BANGLADESH RED CROSS ORGANIZATIONS. WE HAVE BEEN EXAMINING WHAT MIGHT BE THE BEST WAY IN WHICH

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THE USG MIGHT MAKE A SYMPATHETIC GESTURE TO INDICATE ITS HUMANITARIAN CONCERNS OF THE U.S. PEOPLE: IT WOULD ALSO INDICATE OUR SYMPATHY TO THE BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT FOR THE ADDITIONAL BURDEN WHICH IT MUST NOW ASSUME.

3. OUR OFFER OF RELIEF TO THE GOVERNMENT TO BURMA FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE RECENT CYCLONE MAKES THE ISSUE OF HOW WE

DEMONSTRATE OUR CONCERN FOR THE MUSLIM RELIEFS MORE
IMMEDIATE. WE WOULD APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S EARLY
ADVICE REGARDING HOW THE USG MIGHT BEST INDICATE (BOTH
TO THE BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT AND TO THE BANGLADESH AND
U.S. PUBLIC) OUR DESIRE TO BE OF ASSISTANCE. THE AMASTEADOR
IS RELUCTANT TO USE HIS DOLS 25,000 AUTHORITY IF DOING SO WILL
REQUIRE PRIOR INVESTIGATION AND POST MONITORING. IN FACT,
WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT ANY USG RELIEF SHOULD BE PROVIDED
IN A MANNER WHICH WOULD REQUIRE BILATERAL MONITORING.
THE BANGLADESH
GOVERNMENT DOES NOT WANT THIS AND IT IS
BEST THAT THE TASK BE LEFT TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE
TO THE UNHCR.
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